

Manchester Urban Ponds Restoration Program

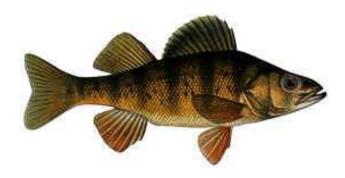
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Common Fish Species of Dorrs Pond

Sampled on September 24, 2001

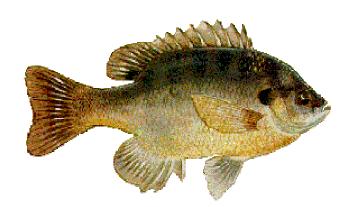
Species	Number	Average	Average
-	Sampled	Length (mm)	Weight (g)
Common White Sucker	86	109	93
Yellow Perch	40	175	160
Largemouth Bass	30	250	352
E. Chain Pickerel	21	277	160
Bluegill	20	178	135
Yellow Bullhead	8	241	15
Golden Shiner	8	210	190
Brown Bullhead	1	254	212
	214	211.75	164.63





Yellow Perch (Perca flavescens)

- **Description:** Golden-yellow with 6-8 broad dark vertical bands.
- Habitat: Schools found in quiet, warm, weedy waters.
- Food: Small aquatic insects, crustaceans, and small fishes.



Bluegill (Lepomis macrochirus)

- Also known as "kibbie" this fish is not native to NH.
- **Description:** Conspicuous dark blotches at the back of the large, square-shaped, blue-black flap behind the eye.
- Habitat: Quiet, warm, weedy waters.



Eastern Chain Pickerel (Esox niger)

- **Description:** Slender, long. Large mouth with teeth. Dorsal and anal fins placed far back near the tail. Pattern of dark, chain-like markings on the side distinguishes it from other members of the pike family.
- Habitat: Quiet, warm, shallow, weedy, mud-bottomed waters.
- Food: Carnivorous and eats golden shiners, brown bullheads, yellow perch, and sunfish.

Common White Sucker (Catastomus commersoni)

- **Description:** Dark greenish-gray and coppery brown with black on its back. Sides have a brassy/silvery luster.
- Food: Bottom feeder that eats aquatic insect larvae, small mollusks, crustaceans, and various worms. With its fleshy mouth aimed downward, they vacuum up worms, clams, and, some say, the eggs of other fish. Prey species to the Northern Pike, Largemouth Bass, and Smallmouth Bass.



Largemouth Bass (Micropterus salmoides)

- **Description:** Resembles the smallmouth bass, but the jaw of the largemouth extends beyond the eye. Also has horizontal dark band/stripe along its side.
- **Habitat:** Solitary fish found in quiet, warm, shallow, weedy, mud-bottomed waters.
- Food: Frogs, bait fish, snakes, mice, snails, and worms.



Pumpkinseed (Lepomis gibbosus)

- **Description:** Resembles the bluegill but has a bright orange spot at the tip of the ear flap and lack of dark spot on the soft portion of the dorsal fin.
- Color: Breeding males are especially colorful with iridescent blue radiating lines on their cheeks and gill covers.
- **Habitat:** Quiet, warm, weedy waters.
- Food: Aquatic insects, snails, small fish, and fish eggs.